

Amendments to the Claims:

1 (currently amended): A method for populating a list of GAL contacts on a device, comprising:

automatically selecting global address list (GAL) contacts on a server for a user to include on the device in addition to a user's personal contacts that are already stored on the device;

on the server, removing any duplicates from the GAL contacts to ensure that the GAL contacts are unique from the user's personal contacts;

preparing the GAL contacts to provide to the device including limiting a number of GAL contacts to be provided to the device; and

providing from the server the GAL contacts to the device; wherein the GAL contacts are automatically incorporated with the user's personal contacts and wherein a display of the GAL contacts are visually distinguishable from the user's personal contacts when displayed together within a contact view on the device; wherein the user's personal contacts are treated differently from the provided GAL contacts such that the user's personal contacts are maintained during a synchronization that updates the provided GAL contacts; wherein upon selection of a provided GAL contact to edit, the ~~[[a]]~~ provided GAL contact is ~~automatically~~ added to the user's personal contacts ~~when the user first edits the provided GAL contact on the device~~ such that the provided GAL contact that was edited is becomes one of the user's personal contacts during a next synchronization and is synchronized as a personal contact rather than a GAL contact.

2 (previously presented): The method of Claim 1, wherein automatically selecting the global GAL contacts, further comprises obtaining the GAL contacts from determining contacts included within a user's communications comprising: a user's phone calls; a user's emails; a user's SMS messages; a user's IM messages; and a user's meetings.

3 (previously presented): The method of Claim 1, wherein automatically selecting the global GAL contacts, further comprises obtaining the GAL contacts from a user's emails, including obtaining a primary addressee from each of a predetermined number of sent emails from the user.

4 (original): The method of Claim 1, wherein automatically selecting the global GAL contacts, further comprises obtaining the GAL contacts from meeting requests.

5 (previously presented): The method of Claim 1, further comprising determining when one of the GAL contacts on the device is removed by the user; and when one of the GAL contacts on the device is removed by the user preventing the removed GAL contact from being provided to the device during a subsequent synchronization after being automatically selected.

6 (canceled).

7 (previously presented): The method of Claim 3, further comprising limiting the number of GAL contacts provided to the device.

8 (previously presented): The method of Claim 3, further comprising maintaining a user snapshot list outside of the device that is related to the GAL contacts for the user; wherein the user snapshot excludes the user's personal contacts.

9 (previously presented): The method of Claim 3, wherein the GAL contacts are obtained from a GAL store on a server.

10 (currently amended): A system for populating a list of GAL contacts on a device, comprising:

a device including a communications connection, a data store, a display, and a processor that performs the following actions, including:

connecting to a network using the communications connection to perform a synchronization;

receiving an update list from the network containing information to update global address list (GAL) contacts that are unique from a user's personal contacts and are in addition to the user's personal contacts; wherein the GAL contacts are synchronized

differently from the user's personal contacts; and wherein the GAL contacts are visually distinguishable within a contact view from the user's personal contacts;

updating the GAL contacts;

storing the updated GAL contacts in the data store;

displaying the GAL contacts on the display; and ~~when upon selection of one of the GAL contacts to [[an]] edit is made to one of the GAL contacts while stored on the device automatically~~ adding the edited GAL contact as a personal contact to the user's personal contacts on the device such that the edited GAL contact is one of the user's personal contacts during a next synchronization;

a server including a communications connection, a data store, and a processor that is performs the following actions, including:

obtaining the global address list (GAL) contacts for the user;

preparing an update list based on the GAL contacts in the data store on the device and the obtained GAL contacts; and

providing the GAL contacts to a device over the network.

11 (previously presented): The system of Claim 10, wherein obtaining the global address list (GAL) contacts for the user, further comprises obtaining the GAL contacts from a user's emails.

12 (original): The system of Claim 11, wherein obtaining the GAL contacts from the user's emails, further comprises obtaining a primary addressee from each of a predetermined number of sent emails from the user.

13 (original): The system of Claim 12, further comprising obtaining the GAL contacts from meeting requests.

14 (previously presented): The system of Claim 11, wherein obtaining the GAL contacts from the user's emails further comprises accessing a mail server and retrieving a predetermined number of emails from a user's sent emails.

15 (original): The system of Claim 12, further comprising displaying the GAL contacts along with the user's personal contacts on the display.

16 (currently amended): A computer-readable storage medium including computer-executable instructions for populating a list of GAL contacts on a device, comprising:

beginning a synchronization session;

automatically selecting global address list (GAL) contacts for a user that are in addition to a user's personal contacts on the device and that are unique from the user's personal contacts from the user's emails; wherein the GAL contacts on the device are synchronized differently from the user's personal contacts on the device such that when a GAL contact is deleted on the device, a record is maintained indicating to remove the GAL contact from the automatically selected GAL contacts before providing the GAL contacts to the device during a subsequent synchronization; and wherein the GAL contacts are visually distinguishable within a contact view on the device from the user's personal contacts; wherein upon selection of a GAL contact on the device to edit, the GAL contact is added to the user's personal contacts such that the GAL contact becomes one of the user's personal contacts during a next synchronization and is synchronized as a personal contact rather than a GAL contact ~~wherein a GAL contact is automatically added to the user's personal contacts when the user first edits the GAL contact on the device such that the GAL contact that was edited is one of the user's personal contacts during the subsequent synchronization; and~~

providing the GAL contacts to the device.

17 (previously presented): The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 16, wherein obtaining the GAL contacts from the user's emails, further comprises obtaining a primary addressee from each of a predetermined number of sent emails from the user.

18 (previously presented): The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 16, wherein automatically selecting the global GAL contacts, further comprises obtaining the GAL contacts from meeting requests.

19 (previously presented): The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 16, wherein providing the GAL contacts to the device, further comprises providing updates to the device in order to update a GAL contact store on the device.

20 (previously presented): The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 17, further comprising maintaining a user snapshot list outside of the device that is related to the GAL contacts for the user.